LISTING OF CLAIMS

- 1. (currently amended) A voice processing system comprising:
 - a task routing system; and
- a plurality of task servers connected to the task routing system through a data network, the task servers comprising a plurality of engines of a plurality of types for processing voice input; and
- a configuration file connected to the task routing system comprising a record of a configuration of sets of the plurality of engines and parameter settings for each type of engine engines, wherein the task routing system determines characteristics of the voice input and selects a set of the plurality of engines to process incoming voice input based on the determined characteristics of the voice input and on the types of engines in the configuration file.
- 2. (previously presented) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings for each type of engine differ from the parameter settings of other types of engines.

- 3. (original) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of grammar types.
- 4. (original) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of accuracy readings.
- 5. (original) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of acoustic models.
- 6. (previously presented) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of model sizes.
- 7. (original) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings comprise voice types.
- 8. (original) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the parameter settings comprise user population.

- 9. (original) The voice processing system of claim 1, wherein the task routing system updates the parameter settings based on usage statistics.
- 10. (currently amended) A task routing system, comprising: an input device that inputs a configuration data comprising a record of a configuration of sets of a plurality of engines for processing voice input and parameter settings for each of a plurality of types of engines for processing voice input; and
- a processor that selects a set of engines for processing voice input based on a characteristic of the voice input and on the types of engines in the configuration data.
- (previously presented) The task system of claim 10, wherein the parameter settings for each type of engine differ from the parameter settings of other types of engines.
- 12. (original) The task system of claim 10, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of grammar types.

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- 13. (original) The task system of claim 10, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of accuracy readings.
- The task system of claim 10, wherein the 14. (original) parameter settings comprise a plurality of acoustic models.
- (previously presented) The task system of claim 10, 15. wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of model sizes.
- 16. (original) The task system of claim 10, wherein the parameter settings comprise voice types.
- 17. (original) The task system of claim 10, wherein the parameter settings comprise user population.
- 18. (original) The task system of claim 10, wherein the task routing system updates the parameter settings based on usage statistics.

19. (currently amended) A method for task routing comprising:

inputting a task comprising voice input with at least one input characteristic;

based on parameter settings in a configuration file, comprising a record of a configuration of sets of a plurality of engines and parameter settings, selecting a set of engines for processing voice input from a plurality of engines of a plurality of types, the selected set of engines being of a the same type to process voice input with said at <u>least one input characteristic</u> as the task; and

assigning the task to the selected set of engines.

- 20. (previously presented) The method of claim 19, wherein the parameter settings for each type of engine differ from the parameter settings of other types of engines.
- 21. (original) The method of claim 19, wherein the parameter settings comprise a plurality of grammar types.

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- The method of claim 19, wherein the 22. (original) parameter settings comprise a plurality of accuracy readings.
- The method of claim 19, wherein the 23. (original) parameter settings comprise a plurality of acoustic models.
- (previously presented) The method of claim 19, wherein 24. the parameter settings comprise a plurality of model sizes.
- The method of claim 19, wherein the 25. (original) parameter settings comprise voice types.
- The method of claim 19, wherein the (original) 26. parameter settings comprise user population.
- The method of claim 19, wherein the task 27. (original) routing system updates the parameter settings based on usage statistics.